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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: Lamont M. Spooner
MASANORI WAKAI, ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: 2654
Application No.: 09/471,030)
: Filed: December 23, 1999)
: For: INFORMATION)
: PROCESSING APPARATUS)
: AND METHOD CAPABLE OF)
: PROCESSING DIFFERENT)
: TYPES OF INFORMATION)
: FROM A PLURALITY OF)
: INPUT UNITS) May 19, 2006

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination of the above-identified application for which a Request For Continued Examination has been filed, and in response to the final Office Action dated January 19, 2006, the period for response to which having been extended to May 19, 2006 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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